

bill to the Committee on Armed Services, with instructions, Schumer Amendment No. 4882 (listed above) fell. **Page S9134**

Schumer Amendment No. 4884 (to Amendment No. 4883), to modify the effective date, fell when Schumer Amendment No. 4883 (to the instructions (Amendment No. 4882) of the motion to refer) (listed above) fell. **Page S9134**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, December 15, 2021; that at 11:30 a.m., Schumer motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill, with Schumer Amendment No. 4880 (to the House amendment) (listed above) be withdrawn, and Senate vote on Schumer motion to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to the bill; that following disposition of the House message to accompany the bill, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Jennifer Sung, of Oregon, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit; and that at 2:15 p.m., Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Samantha D. Elliott, of New Hampshire, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Hampshire. **Page S9165**

**Elliott Nomination:** Senate continued consideration of the nomination of Samantha D. Elliott, of New Hampshire, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Hampshire. **Pages S9127–33**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. EX. 495), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S9127–33**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Thea D. Rozman Kendler, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Alanna McCargo, of Virginia, to be President, Government National Mortgage Association.

Dawn N. Ison, of Michigan, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan for the term of four years.

Nickolas Guertin, of Virginia, to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Department of Defense.

John Bradley Sherman, of Texas, to be Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense.

Carrie Frances Ricci, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

10 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

1 Space Force nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy, and Space Force. **Pages S9153–55**

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**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—498) **Pages S9133–34, S9142**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:21 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, December 15, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9165.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported 11 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Space Force.

### STABLECOINS

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine stablecoins, focusing on how they work, how they are used, and their risks, after receiving testimony from Alexis Goldstein, Open Markets Institute, New York, New York; and Dante Alighieri Disparte, Circle, Jai Massari, Davis Polk and Wardwell, LLP, and Hilary J. Allen, American University Washington College of Law, all of Washington, D.C.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Donald Armin Blome, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Eric M. Garcetti, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of India, who was introduced by Senator Padilla, and Amy Gutmann, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, who was introduced by Senators Toomey and Casey, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Christopher R. Hill, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia, Michele Taylor, of Georgia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as United States Representative to the UN Human Rights Council, who was introduced by Senator Kaine, and Joseph Donnelly, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to the Holy See, who was introduced by Senator Coons, all of the Department of State, Alice P. Albright, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Corporation, Oren E. Whyche-Shaw, of Maryland, to be United States Director of the African Development Bank, Enoch T. Ebong, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Trade and Development Agen-

cy, Leopoldo Martinez Nucete, of Virginia, to be United States Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, who was introduced by Senator Kaine, and Maria Fabiana Jorge, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, who was introduced by Senators Warner and Blunt, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## NOMINATION

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Robert McKinnon Califf, of North Carolina, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

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# House of Representatives

*Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 39 public bills, H.R. 6256–6294; 1 private bill, H.R. 6295; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 850–851 and 853–856, were introduced. **Pages H7821–23**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7825–27**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 848, relating to the consideration of House Report 117–216 and an accompanying resolution (H. Rept. 117–217);

H. Res. 849, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5665) to establish in the Department of State the Office to Monitor and Combat Islamophobia, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–218); and

H. Res. 852, providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 33) joint resolution relating to increasing the debt limit (H. Rept. 117–219). **Page H7821**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in remembrance of the over 800,000 Americans who have passed away from the COVID–19 virus. **Page H7665**

**Capitol Police Emergency Assistance Act of 2021:** The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and pass S. 3377, to empower the Chief of the United States Capitol Police to unilaterally request the assistance of the DC National Guard or Federal

law enforcement agencies in emergencies without prior approval of the Capitol Police Board. **Pages H7803–04**

**Suspension:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

*Five-Stars for Safe Cars Act:* H.R. 6256, to require the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to update the motor vehicle information required to be submitted to the Administration to assist a consumer in buying a passenger motor vehicle. **Pages H7804–08**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in remembrance of the victims of the recent outbreak of tornadoes in the Midwest. **Page H7814**

**Recommending that the House of Representatives find Mark Randall Meadows in contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with a subpoena duly issued by the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol:** The House agreed to H. Res. 851, recommending that the House of Representatives find Mark Randall Meadows in contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with a subpoena duly issued by the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol, by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 447. **Pages H7667–H7797, H7814–15**

During debate, exception was taken to certain words used and a demand was made to have the